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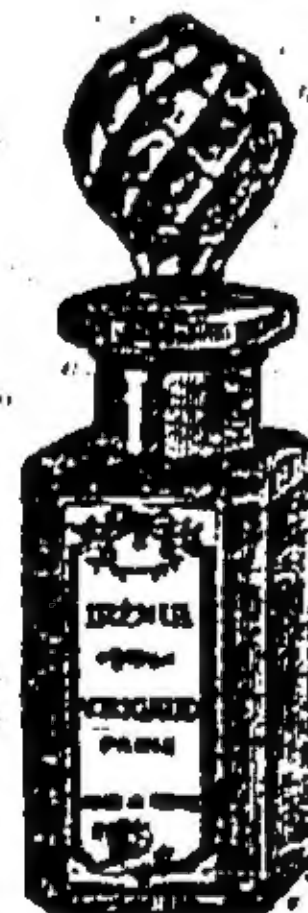
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SERICULTURE IN KWANGTUNG.

The sericulture industry of Kwangtung province is passing through a very critical period of its development, says the *Lingnam Agricultural Review*, Canton. In years past there has usually been a very brisk trade in Canton silk. During the war there was an increased demand in spite of the fact that there were many complaints as to the inferior quality turned out by our silatures. Early this year, however, Canton received cable advice from America that Canton silk was greatly in disfavor, primarily because of our poor reeling methods, and that the demand this year would be slight. This caused a panic on the local silk markets and for a time there was much discussion as to the situation. In some quarters American merchants were blamed for the unusually high prices which obtained last year and for the fact that all too often they pay the same price for poor quality as for good quality silk. False rumours were intensified until it was actually reported that the United States had prohibited by law the entry of Canton silk. The result of all this was that for the first crops this year there was a terrible slump in the industry. At the opening of the year it was reported, quite authoritatively, that in Shuntak district, where there are nearly 300 silatures, employing 60,000 women and girl labourers, about two-thirds of these were forced to suspend operations.

At this writing three of the six crops produced each year have been completed. The latest reports of the market for Canton raw silk indicate that the price has risen to \$1.100 to \$1.200 per picul, but that buying is very slow at even lower prices. Very few orders are coming through from America. This low price for raw silk is still holding down the prices offered for cocoons, with the result that many farmers are attempting to go into rice culture or vegetable growing instead of silk worm rearing. The egg markets for the fourth crop gave a clear indication of the state of mind of the farmers. In some cases egg sheets were selling as low as twenty cents for nine sheets. Many egg merchants were forced to throw their entire output into the river as they could not sell at any price. The low condition of the market was still further accentuated at this time by the severe floods which covered the Shuntak, Hienghshan, and Nambol districts, and by the presence of an epidemic of "mo chung," the larva of a "tussock moth" (*Forbesia similis*), which had destroyed 50 per cent. of the mulberry leaves.

The Sericulture Department of the Lingnam Agricultural College, Canton, is this year continuing its efforts in the distribution and sale of disease-free silk-worm eggs. The department has produced during the past fiscal year 2,180 commercial sheets of silkworm eggs and 44,581 inspected circles of eggs. For the production of these we have produced on our own farm about half of the mulberry leaves required. Work has been begun upon the Eugene Atwood Reeling Laboratory, a building badly needed for a long time and now made possible through the generosity of Mr. Eugene Atwood of the Atwood Machine Company, Stonington, Connecticut. In this building there will be installed a cold storage plant, the gift of Mr. Edward E. Bradley of the same company.

FOREIGN FIRMS IN SHANGHAI.

A list of foreign firms is contained in the Shanghai Customs Returns for 1923. No figures are available for Chinese firms, says Mr. L. A. Lyall, Commissioner of Customs, but it is possible that they have increased even more extensively in the past eight or ten years than foreign firms:

	1914	1920	1923
American	71	216	185
Austrian	13	—	—
Belgian	3	10	10
British	202	205	228
Danish	6	11	15
Dutch	10	11	15
French	33	55	63
German	102	15	70
Italian	22	15	19
Japanese	117	1,125	1,047
Norwegian	9	12	14
Russian	4	44	50

Total 592 1,764 1,695
Figures of other countries are not available.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

October 14th, 1924.	
Hongkong	117 1/2
Shanghai	117 1/2
Bank	\$1,170/1,175 ss.
Canton Insurance	\$720 b.
Union Insurance	\$240 b.
Hongkong Fire Insurance	\$600 b.
Douglas Steamships	\$60 b.
R.K. C. & M. Steamships	\$394 ss.
"Star" Ferries	\$104 ss.
China Sugars	\$405 b.
Langkats	Tls. 17 ex Rights b.
Kowloon Wharves	\$307 1/2 nominal
Whampoa Docks	\$172/173 ss.
Shanghai Docks	Tls. 95 ss.
Hongkong Wharves	Tls. 196 b.
New Engineering	Tls. 6,600 b.
Hongkong Land	\$117 1/2
Hongkong Hotels	\$23 (old)
Hampshire Estates	\$23 1/2
Ewo Cotton Mills	Tls. 104 b.
Shanghai Cottons	Tls. 52 b.
Cements	\$33 (combined) ss.
Hongkong Ropes	\$32 1/2
China Provident	\$32 (combined) b.
Dairy Farms	\$24 1/2 b.
Watsons	\$16 1/2 b.
Hongkong Electric	\$20 b.
China Lights	\$27.90 (combined) nom.
Hongkong Trams	\$48 b.
Peak Tramways	\$22 b.

b—buyers; s—sellers; ss—sales.



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ALLEGED FOREIGN LOANS TO PEKING.

PROTEST FROM CANTON.

The Canton Government has telegraphed the following protest to the Corps Diplomatique, Peking, against the negotiation of foreign loans to the Peking Government and Wu Pei Fu:—

CANTON, 11th October, 1924.
To the "Doyen" Corps Diplomatique, Peking.

"In view of the reports that have been persistently current of late to the effect that certain Foreign Powers, or their nationals, are engaged in negotiating, or have concluded, loans or other financial arrangements with the Peking Government and Wu Pei Fu, I am directed by President Sun to register, if the reports are correct, an emphatic protest, on behalf of the people of China.

Having noted repeated declarations that it is the policy of the Foreign Powers, as well as the International Consortium, to refuse to entertain all proposals for loans or advances whatsoever in order that it may not in any way be possible for the contending military factions in China to profit thereby, I would request that the Foreign Powers shall again announce categorically their intention not to intervene in the civil war that is now raging by according support directly or indirectly to the Peking Government, and Wu Pei Fu, by way of financial assistance or otherwise.

In the event of any loans or financial arrangements being made to the Peking Government or its agents, I am directed to inform you that such loans or arrangements will on no account be recognised by the proper Government and people of the Republic.

I request your Excellency to communicate the above to members of the Diplomatic Body for transmission to their respective Governments."

C. C. Wu,
Secretary for Foreign Affairs.

LAUNCH AT TAIKOO.

A.P.C. MOTOR VESSEL.

There was launched by the Taikoo Dockyard & Engineering Co. of Hongkong, Ltd., on the 13th inst. the steel twin screw motor vessel *Pak Wan Shuan*, built to the order of the Asiatic Petroleum Co. (South China), Ltd. The vessel is 90 feet long with 17ft. 6in. beam and a depth of 6 feet and is built of light scantlings to suit the limited draft. Machinery is amidships and a cargo hold forward and one aft arranged for stowage of kerosene oil in tins. Good accommodation suitable for one of the staff has been fitted in a steel deckhouse, while the crew are placed in rooms forward, with engine room staff amidships. The propelling machinery consists of two sets of crude oil motors, supplied by the Campbell Gas Engine Company, which will give a speed of 7½ knots. The naming ceremony was performed by Miss Gwen Tully.

CORRESPONDENCE.

BRITISH INCOME TAX RELIEF.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG
DAILY PRESS."] SIB,—

The new Finance Act has just been passed into Law, and contains certain provisions of interest to residents abroad, as follows:—

(1) The allowance of £45 in respect of Housekeeper and Widowed Mother is increased to £60.

(2) The Housekeeper allowance may now be claimed whether any child is being taken care of by such Housekeeper or not.

(3) An appeal may now be made to the Special Commissioners by persons claiming to be resident or domiciled abroad on the questions of domicile, ordinary residence and residence. It is fairly well-known that difficulties have arisen in the past owing to the Board of Inland Revenue deciding questions of domicile and residence without any right of appeal being open to residents abroad. By Section 27 of the new Act, however, any person who is aggrieved by the decision of the Board of Inland Revenue may apply to have his claim heard by the Special Commissioners and appeal from their decision, if necessary, to the High Court.

It must be clearly understood, that apart from the foregoing right to appeal there is no alteration in the law as to the liability of persons domiciled or resident abroad. In such cases the usual claim to repayment of British Income Tax may be made under one or more of the following classes of relief:—

(1) Exemption in respect of dividends on certain British Government securities where the beneficial owner is ordinarily resident abroad.

(2) Exemption in respect of interest or dividends on foreign or Colonial securities, stocks, etc., owned by a person not resident in the United Kingdom.

(3) Reduction or exemption from tax on income from sources within the United Kingdom, in the case of a British Subject, Crown Servant, ex-Crown Servant, widow of Crown Servant, servant of British Protectorate, employee of missionary society, resident in the Isle of Man or Channel Isles, or resident abroad for sake of own health or health of member of the family.

(4) Reduction of tax where income tax has also been paid on the same income in another part of the Empire—Yours, etc.,

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CRICKET NOTES.

After all, a joke is a joke. But our weather is neither. It is in fact as bad as the English of that last sentence now I look at it. Last Saturday's trial had to be cancelled entirely, but fortunately the Canton match could be played and quite a lot was to be learned—mainly in the negative direction.

I do not think there is much doubt but that Q.M.S. Stripp will be chosen for the Colony as stumper. I understand Davies cannot play. Finney is nowhere near Stripp's class as a keeper. He may, and I think will, come on, but at present he is not nearly as good, in my opinion, as Holdman of the Civil Service, whom I should like to see again. As regards their batting, Stripp has been seen, and is I think a useful, if somewhat rugged batsman. Holdman is not so good but he is better than he looks. Finney I do not think claims to do much in that line.

While considering the batting of the side on Monday, it must be remembered that there was very little if any really loose bowling. The pitch certainly helped the attack, and in my opinion Pomfret would walk into the Interport side were he eligible. Benson has improved a lot since he was here two years ago and has a puzzling flight. On the whole the batting was disappointing. Webster plays better cricket than anyone but Pearce and Hancock and seems to get himself out in stupid ways. I fancy his left wrist has a good deal to do with it, as it was badly damaged in the War. More was in for over an hour, but he did not play attractive cricket. He missed about fifty runs on the leg side, and was never comfortable with Pomfret, who was sending down stuff rather like Quayle, popping up very quickly and being at times rather dangerous. I gather he has injured his shoulder throwing, and I trust it will soon be better for I much doubt if he will get into the Interport if he cannot bowl a bit.

Owen Hughes batted well, especially showing confidence in dealing with the fast bowler. But he was not bowling well. Armstrong failed again and I do not think he will be further considered. I am inclined to think his style flatters to deceive and doubt if he will find a place in the Club's best side.

With the exception of Young's first few overs the bowling was not good. Reed or Powell would have made all the difference. Owen Hughes again dropped one in the slips—though he took a much more difficult one later. Young's catch at short leg off Vallock was excellent. The fielding was fair, but I notice several of the younger Interport aspirants, whose ground fielding is very weak, chiefly because they try to throw the ball in before they have picked it up. A lot of them should read Ranji's book on cricket. The more modern writers have become so scientific that they are no good to anyone under the class of a county man.

I have been rebuked for referring to Monday's side as an "A" team. It, of course, was an "A" team in the general sense of the phrase, but it so happens that the Club are entering two sides in the 1st League, and these sides, explained, I believe, by Pearce and Hancock respectively, are to be known as A and B teams. I trust I have not dislocated the whole of the Fixture List!

It will be most unfortunate if A. A. Rumjahn is the Rumjahn who was involved in a motor-bicycle accident, and was (according to the papers) taken to hospital. And that reminds me. I think the Powers that be ought to shut down on likely candidates playing hockey. The side is not so strong that injuries at reason games should be risked. I have reason to believe that the point has not escaped them, though I am in a position definitely to state that there is no truth in the rumour that they have requested E. B. Reed to wear a left hand batting glove when playing "put and take."

R. AMMITT.

S. C. CLAYTON RELEASED. CHARGE OF LARCENY WITHDRAWN.

On enquiry at the Central Police Station yesterday, we were informed that the charge against S. C. Clayton, an architect of Hongkong, has been withdrawn, as foreshadowed on Monday's *Daily Press*. On instructions from Hongkong, Clayton was arrested in Singapore in connection with the alleged larceny of \$2,000. After his arrest a friend of Clayton's came forward and paid the money. His release followed.

THE MARINE COURT.

At the Marine Court yesterday, before Lieut.-Comdr. G. F. Hole, R.N., Mr. Min, the mistress of a cargo boat was fined \$10 for anchoring her boat in the Southern Fairway, thus causing an obstruction. She said she was loading the boat at the wharf and that she did not know she was violating the harbour rules.

The mistress of a cargo boat was fined \$5 for mooring her boat outside five others alongside the s.s. *Hui Chow*. Another boatmistress was charged with a similar offence. She pleaded "Not guilty," saying her boat was the fifth and not the sixth boat, but evidence of the harbour police proved the contrary and she was fined \$4.

LOCAL SPORT.

CRICKET.

CRAIGENGOWER C.C. v. R.G.A.

A friendly cricket match was played on the 13th at the Craigenower Cricket Club between the R.G.A. and the home team. The results was a win for the visitors by 8 wickets and 53 runs.

Scorers:—
Capt. C. J. F. Bensley, b Dixon ... 42
Lieut. Hall, b Dixon ... 0
Lieut. Henslowe, b Abbas ... 13
Major H. Smith, c Dixon, b Fritz ... 41
Capt. N. C. Parkes, not out ... 38
Lieut. J. H. Smith, c Schnepel, b Muskett ... 17
Sergt. Gifford, not out ... 19
Extras ... 4

Total ... 173

Capt. Barrett, Sergt. Bell, Sergt. Edgington, and Gr. Dyer did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.
O. M. R. W.
Dixon ... 9 1 30 2
Abbas ... 9 2 26 1
Fritz ... 9 0 44 1
Pinna ... 2 0 13 0
Muskett ... 6 0 37 1
Schnepel ... 1 0 10 0

CRAIGENGOWER C.C.
M. Pinna, c and b Bell ... 2
E. Henslowe, b Bell ... 13
F. Schnepel, b Gifford ... 1
R. Phayer, b Lieut. Smith ... 11
E. Mowfong, c and b Gifford ... 38
D. Fritz, c Bensley, b Hall ... 35
S. Abbas, c Parkes, b Bell ... 35
F. K. Modi, b Gifford ... 11
Hyder, c Hall, b Smith ... 8
P. A. Dixon, b Smith ... 0
W. B. Muskett, not out ... 3
Extras ... 4

Total ... 118

Bowling Analysis.
O. M. R. W.
Bell ... 14 1 3 3
Gifford ... 7 2 17 3
Lieut. Smith ... 2 0 13 0
Capt. Barrett ... 4 1 12 1

GOLF.

ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

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F. H. Crapnell 2 down (winner)
A. B. Stewart 3 down
Captain's Cup:—
H. G. Hegarty 91-10=81 (qualifies)
A. Morrison 93-11=82
A. Murray 90-7=83
Optional Pool:—
10 entries—no return.

CLUB v. VOLUNTEERS.

Singles.

CLUB	VOLUNTEERS
A. B. Stewart, 2 & 1	I. W. Shawan ... 0
A. H. Ferguson, 2 up 1	E. J. R. Mitchell ... 0
N. L. Smith ... 0	J. B. Ross ... 0
R. A. Camidge, 4 & 3	A. K. Mackenzie ... 0
N. L. Smith ... 0	R. L. Moncrieff ... 0
W. Galloway, 6 & 5	T. G. Bennett ... 0
H. U. Ireland, 6 & 4	W. W. Mackenzie, 3 & 2
Capt. Bennett ... 0	A. B. Purves, 3 & 2
C. C. Frank ... 0	R. M. Henderson ... 0
J. W. Starks ... 0	W. Ironside, 3 & 2
L. S. Greenhill ... 0	D. G. Bruce ... 0
G. Murray, 1 up ... 1	J. C. Fletcher, 4 & 2
H. G. Hegarty ... 0	W. J. Clerk, 2 & 1
J. W. Alabaster ... 0	G. M. Shaw ... 0
A. O. Brown, 2 & 1	K. S. Morrison ... 1
A. D. Humphreys, 5 & 3	O. Eager, 5 & 3
Capt. Meredith ... 0	

Singles Total ... 8 Singles Total ... 8

Fourballs.

CLUB	VOLUNTEERS
A. B. Stewart ... 0	I. W. Shawan ... 0
A. H. Ferguson ... 0	E. J. R. Mitchell ... 0
N. L. Smith ... 0	J. B. Ross ... 0
R. A. Camidge, 7 & 6	A. K. Mackenzie ... 0
W. Galloway ... 0	R. L. Moncrieff ... 2
H. U. Ireland ... 0	T. G. Bennett, 2 up
Capt. Bennett ... 2	W. W. Mackenzie ... 0
C. C. Frank, 2 & 1	A. E. Purves ... 0
J. W. Starks ... 0	R. M. Henderson ... 0
L. S. Greenhill, 2	W. Ironside, 0
G. Murray ... 2	D. G. Bruce ... 0
H. G. Hegarty, 5 & 4	J. C. Fletcher ... 0
J. W. Alabaster ... 0	W. J. Clerk ... 2
A. O. Brown ... 0	G. M. Shaw, 2 up
A. D. Humphreys ... 0	K. S. Morrison ... 0
Capt. Meredith, 3 & 1	O. Eager ... 0

Doubles Total 10 Doubles Total 4
Add Singles 8 Add Singles 6
Grand Total 18 Grand Total 10

V.R.C. SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS.

THIS AFTERNOON'S SPORT.

The final meet for the V.R.C. Swimming Championships, which had to be postponed owing to the recent typhoon, will take place at the V.R.C. Bath to-day, commencing at 4 p.m.

The main events comprise the 100 yards championship, in which some really good racing should be seen, particularly as Johnstone and Lyon have been swimming on about even times of late; the high dive, together with the finals for the other events.

HOCKEY.

CLUB "B" v. THE CENTRAL BRITISH SCHOOL.

The following will represent the Club at Happy Valley to-day at 5.15 p.m.—
Club in colours:—A. Bower (capt), J. H. Keane, E. C. Macnamara, W. H. Locke, D. B. Green, L. A. B. Duncan, H. H. Rose, H. G. Gardner, L. R. Blacking, G. T. May, J. C. Fears.

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THE HONGKONG BOXING ASSOCIATION.

ANNUAL MEETING.

THE SEASON A SUCCESS.

The annual meeting of the Hongkong Boxing Association was held last night in the Board Room at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. Mr. R. M. Dyer presided.

The CHAIRMAN said: I think you will agree that the season 1923-1924 was a success. Although financially we have not been able to add a great deal to our capital account, the working during that season has paid its way, and we have carried forward a slightly larger amount than last year. The success of the later Tournaments was largely due to the assistance given to the General and Boxing Committees by a small Sub-Committee, which received its powers from the General Committee, and was headed by Mr. S. J. Clarke. This gentleman has had the able assistance of Messrs. Grimmit, Kerrison, Fisher, Ward, Knight and Marriott.

I should like to take this opportunity of thanking them for all they have done, and I hope that they will continue the good work during the coming season. We have suffered the loss of many good boxers who appeared at our Tournaments, chief amongst whom is A.B. Chadwick, whom we are glad to see has maintained the form he showed here by winning the Lightweight Championship of the Services at Home. It is very gratifying to think that we have in some measure contributed to this man's success by providing him with opponents, and keeping him keen. We have also lost A.B. Dixon, Pte. Flynn, C.P.O. Callaghan and A.B. Duncan, all of whom provided us with good and clean sport.

MATCH ARRANGED FOR LIGHTWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP OF HONGKONG.

Although these exponents of the Noble Art have left us, we are not left without talent. The Association is pleased to announce that it has definitely arranged a fight between C.P.O. Cartledge and "Matty" Smith of Shanghai, to take place at the Theatre Royal on November 15th, for the Lightweight Championship of the Colony. We think this should prove to be one of the best fights seen in the Colony. Both men are well known, and have been well tried. Whilst on the subject of this contest, I would like to tell you that the General Committee has decided that on that night members shall be admitted to the Ringside seats for the usual sum of \$5, but that for non-members the price of Ringside seats will be \$10.

INCENTIVE TO JOIN.

There is a dual reason for this arrangement, the first is that we cannot pay for the purse money out of the proceeds of the gate unless we raise the price of the seats; and the second is to provide, we hope, an incentive for people to join the Association. No words of mine are needed to say how desirable an Association of this nature is in a Colony like this, where the Services are so largely represented, but no Association can live unless it receives adequate support. Five dollars a year is a very small subscription, and although usually the only benefit derived from it is that members can get the first choice of seats, persons joining now will save their subscription on their tickets, as well as get a better chance of a seat. If gentlemen anxious to join will apply to the Hon. Secretary for a nomination form, and return it to him endorsed by a proposer and seconder, he will see that they get their membership cards before the booking of the Tournament opens.

HEAVY-WEIGHT SERVICE CHAMPION COMING.
There is I am glad to say, further talent coming to the Colony in the person of C.P.O. Spiller, the Heavyweight Champion of the Services, who I understand, is coming out on the H.M.S. *Vindictive* in February, and we may be able to match him with Knute Hansen, of Shanghai. Then there are Moir and Booth in the China Squadron, and several promising boxers in the East Surrey Regiment and the Royal Artillery.

REPORT ADOPTED.

The CHAIRMAN proposed that the General Committee's report be adopted, Mr. G. M. Young seconding, and the motion was carried unanimously.

ELECTION OF OFFICIALS.

Mr. R. M. Dyer, Chairman; Col. M. Bates and Mr. J. Scott Harrison, Vice-Chairmen; Mr. J. Brook, Manager, and Mr. T. G. Bennett, Secretary, were re-elected. The following General Committee was re-elected, to which the name of Mr. E. C. Kerrison was added: Messrs. S. J. Clarke, F. C. Hall, F. C. Jenkin, W. Ward and G. M. Young. The Committee would have power to add.

A discussion arose as to whether purses should be reduced in Championship bouts when a man failed to make the weight. Mr. Kerrison said he did not think this was right at all.

Mr. Minnett said that if a man could not make the weight the fight was obviously off, but they should not monkey about with the rules. Rules ought to be hard and fast. It was only too obvious that there could be no Championship fight, but all the same if they thought the contest should be staged they could put up a purse slightly reduced in value.

Mr. Harrison pointed out that it was obviously a question of contract, and the matter should be dealt with there and then.

Mr. Minnett proposed that the matter should be left to the Committee, and Mr. W. Logan seconded.

The General Officer Commanding, Sir John Fowler, K.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O., then addressed the meeting and said he wished to take this opportunity of expressing to the Hongkong Boxing Association the appreciation of the Garrison for the interest the Association had taken in their boxing contests, for presenting a Cup to the King's (Liverpool) Regiment and a Shield to the Garrison, and especially for the way they had encouraged the young men.

GENERAL COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

The General Committee in their Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending the 30th June, 1924, say:

From the accounts it will be seen that there is a balance in the general account of \$422.15 and in the tournament account of \$29.56. The small balance in the tournament account is due to the extra purse money provided, consequent upon five championship fights having been fought during the season.

The Welterweight Championship was won by A.B. Dixon; the Lightweight Championship was won by A.B. Chadwick twice, thereby winning the Belt outright; the Featherweight Championship was also won by A.B. Chadwick and the Heavyweight by Bombardier Barton.

Offers have kindly been made by Messrs. R. M. Dyer, J. Scott Harrison, G. M. Young and S. J. Clarke to replace Belts that have been or may be won outright.

A silver Challenge Cup was presented to the 2nd Batt, the King's Regiment on their departure from the Colony and a Shield has been presented to the 1st Batt, the East Surrey Regiment by the Association.

FOR POPPY DAY.

A donation of \$100 has been made to the Poppy Day Sub-Committee and is included in the accounts under review. Out of the surplus in hand at the end of the Season, the Committee have also made the following donations:—Poppy Day Sub-Committee \$100, British Legion \$100, Staff Sergeant Hunt \$250, Fresh Air Fund £5, and £50 each to the Honorary Secretary and Manager.

The Association has unfortunately lost the services of two Vice-Presidents, Sir William Rees-Davis and the late Hon. Mr. A. G. Stephen, one of their Medical Officers, Dr. C. Forsyth and the late Hon. Mr. A. R. Lowe who had officiated as Honorary Auditor to the Association since its inception. The Association wish to place on record their deep appreciation of the services rendered by those gentlemen.

Messrs. R. M. Dyer, G. M. Young and Lieut.-Col. Montague Bates, C.M.G., D.S.O., etc., have consented to become Vice-Presidents of the Association.

Under the rules of the Association all the officials (except the President and Vice-President) and the members of Committee retire at this meeting. Mr. R. M. Dyer, and Mr. J. Scott Harrison offer themselves for re-election as Chairman and Vice-Chairman respectively. Mr. J. Brook as Manager and Mr. T. G. Bennett as Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer also offer themselves for re-election.

Messrs. S. J. Clarke, F. C. Hall, F. C. Jenkin, W. Ward and G. M. Young offer themselves for re-election on the General Committee.

Under rule 3 the Police have again nominated Sub-Inspector Marks as their representative on the General Committee. Nominations have not yet been received from the Navy and Army.

Mr. John Fleming has very kindly audited the accounts and offers himself for election as Honorary Auditor of the Association.

Dr. J. C. MacGowan has kindly consented to act as an Honorary Medical Officer of the Association.

CLAIM FOR POSSESSION.

GODOWN OR DOMESTIC TENEMENT?

An action was opened yesterday morning before the Chief Justice (Mr. Justice Gompertz) sitting in Summary Court jurisdiction in which the Nah Kee Kung Sze firm claimed possession of Nos. 410, 412 and 414, Des Voeux Road West, from the Nam Shing Cheung firm.

The plaintiffs were represented by Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., and the Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., was for the defendant firm.

Opening for the plaintiffs, Mr. Potter said the plaintiffs had obtained lease of the premises in question for a period of ten years, and they gave defendant firm notice to quit on May 10th. He submitted that the premises were used as godowns only, but on June 18th the defendants replied saying that the premises were used as a domestic tenement and the defendants also claimed that they held a lease which did not expire until November. A visit was paid to the premises by Mr. Anderson, of Messrs. Palmer & Turner, shortly after the notice to quit had been given and before the reply of the defendant firm had been received.

Mr. Anderson would tell the Court that there were no signs of the premises having been used as a domestic tenement. The rooms were packed with merchandise and there was merchandise in the kitchens. The watchman was the only person who slept on the premises. Mr. Anderson again inspected the houses on July 1st and found that a space of about ten feet square had been cleared and four beds had been put on the first floor of No. 412. On one there was something that might have been used as a mosquito net but otherwise there were no signs of the place having been used as a domestic tenement. No one's personal effects were to be seen. Mr. Potter pointed out that the beds made their appearance after the service of the notice to quit. He submitted three points: (1) that the houses were never used by defendant firm as domestic tenements; (2) that if they had been, defendants no had right to turn them into such to the detriment of the landlord; and (3) that the premises were not suitable for habitation and the Court should not therefore consider it.

PREMISES NOT HABITABLE.

Mr. Charles P. Anderson was called to give evidence in support of Mr. Potter's opening statement. He gave it as his opinion that the premises were not habitable and that the Sanitary Board would never allow anyone to use them as domestic tenements.

The owner of the premises, a Chinese woman, said she leased the premises to plaintiffs for ten years. She employed a man named Fung to collect the rents for her. He did not give the defendants a lease and he could not do so without her consent.

Mr. Alabaster said that the premises were in fact being used as domestic tenements. He claimed that four men slept on the premises, scattered over the three buildings and that they used one kitchen.

Mr. Potter: We inspected all the kitchens and they were stacked with merchandise.

Mr. Alabaster, continuing, referred to the question of the least stating that when defendants went into possession in 1916 they were given a two years' lease. At the expiry of that lease they were given a three years' lease and then a lease for further period of three years. He claimed that a three years' lease might be given verbally, a deed not being necessary.

CASE ADJOURNED.

The rent collector, called by the defence, said that he conducted the affairs of the present owner's deceased husband when he was alive.

Mr. Potter questioned the admissibility of oral evidence of the material lease. He said that Mr. Alabaster was in possession of a document which purported to be the lease and, if it was, it must be put in.

The document in question was handed to his Lordship by Mr. Alabaster who said that it was not certain whether it was supposed to be a lease or a memorandum.

His Lordship thought the document was very much like the usual form of Chinese lease.

The case was adjourned to this morning.

KINDLY MAGISTRATE.

MAKES MONEY GRANT TO MAN WHO ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

After a two weeks bout of fever, and being unable to pay for medical treatment, Wong Lau, an unemployed Chinese, attempted to commit suicide by jumping into the sea from the Yau-mat Ferry pier on Monday.

He was brought up before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, when His Worship, in sentencing him to three weeks' imprisonment, announced that \$2 from the Poor Box would be handed to him when he came out of gaol.

ALLEGED FALSE PRETENCES.

SOLICITORS' CLERKS AGAIN REMANDED.

COMPLAINANT TELLS HER STORY.

The case in which Cheung Pui Chuen, alias Charles Kent, and Lo Shu Fan, two clerks lately employed by Messrs. Hastings and Hastings and Denny and Bowley, were charged on three counts, was continued at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon.

It was alleged that they had conspired together to defraud Wong Tak Yin of her property by false representations, that Lo Shu Fan was owner of certain lands in the New Territories and had transferred the same into the name of the said Wong Tak Yin and desired to mortgage the same. The other two counts alleged that the defendants conspired together to induce the complainant by false representations to sign two deeds of sale.

In the last two counts, the defendants were alleged to have acted in conjunction with Au Hoq Fu and Ho Shai Lok.

Mr. M. K. Lo prosecuted and Mr. E. Davidson appeared on behalf of the defendants. Mr. H. S. Fitzroy, instructed by Messrs. Lee and Russ, watched the proceedings on behalf of Lo Shu Cho, the purchaser of certain property involved in the case.

Yesterday, complainant, Wong Tak Yin, who years ago became the concubine of Mr. Ho Kom Tong, went into the witness-box. She gave evidence as to her son coming to her and asking her to put her name to a deed of transfer for certain property in the New Territories. Nothing was done in the matter at that time, but two or three days later she went with her son to the office where she saw the first defendant. Her son introduced her, and Cheung asked her whether her son had explained to her the question of the transference of property in the New Territories.

A MORTGAGE.

She asked why the property should be transferred in her name, and the reply that she received was that it was easier to put through a transaction bearing a woman's name. He sat down and wrote some characters on a paper and asked her to copy them on to the document. He then went out of the room and left her with her son.

Cheung returned and asked her to sign. He took her into the next room and introduced her to the second defendant. Here she copied the three characters, which proved to be her name, on to the document.

Mr. Lo: Did you know that this mortgage was for \$10,000 on your own property?

Witness: No, I did not.

When she had signed, the first defendant told her she could go home. She did not receive any money. But in the evening her son came to her with \$1,000 which he said he had got from Lo Shu Fan to give to her for her trouble.

Two or three months later she again visited Messrs. Hastings' office when her son told her that his cousin was about to purchase two houses, and as he thought it derogatory to use his own name, he was desirous that she should sign. In the office she was told that there were two houses to be sold, in her name, but there was no title deed. The transaction would not be completed until the original title deed had been obtained. Cho was present, and took from his pocket a bundle of banknotes, handed them to her, and then left the office. The first defendant then got the money and said he would take it to the Mercantile Bank for her. Though she signed the agreement it was not explained to her.

Mr. R. E. Lindell adjourned the case.

CHINESE BARBARITY.

THE CANTON HORROR.

The almost incredible story of the extraction of hearts from people killed in the clash at Canton on the 10th inst., is thus recorded in the *Canton Gazette*, an organ of the Canton Government:

Several of the Merchant Volunteers, not content with seeing the victims lying dead on the road, proceeded to butcher the dead victims with their bayonets they stabbed and cut open the stomach of at least two of the dead victims, and proceeded to cut out the hearts of the victims to take away to cook and eat them, so that they may become more valorous.

This act of human depravity was witnessed by three foreigners, according to a police report, and one of the foreigners was so disgusted that he went up to one of the Merchant Volunteers while he was engaged in cutting up the dead man, and the foreigner with his foot tried to push away the Merchant Volunteer and stop him from going on with the miserable business.

The bystanders were horrified and speechless with fear and amazement.

THE RECKONING.

Seven of the processionists were shot and bayoneted.

Over a score were wounded by bullets and bayonets.

The river is daily giving up its toll of men, women and children, mothers with babes at their breast.

Such is the tale of the bloody afternoon's work of the Merchant Volunteers.

There will surely be a day of reckoning.

[The European spectator who supplied the information given in our report of the affair said the perpetrators of this barbarity were not men in uniform, which we take it implies that they were not members of the Volunteer Corps.—Ed. H.K.D.P.]

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CABLES.

LATEST CABLES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

HOME ELECTION.

CONSERVATIVE-LIBERAL PACT.

LONDON, October 14th.

Labour's chances of success at the polls is likely to be seriously affected by the pact between the Conservative and Liberal associations in a steadily growing number of constituencies not to put candidates against each other where a Government candidate is standing. The conclusion of this arrangement at Paisley was followed by a wholesale agreement at Glasgow where 13 Conservatives and two Liberals will engage in a straight fight against Labour.

Opposition is to be offered to Mr. Lloyd George at Carnarvon by a Labourite, Professor A. Zimmer.

Doctor Addison, the ex-Coalition Minister, will fight the sitting Conservative at Hammersmith in the Labour interests. The Conservatives up to now have the largest number of candidates in the field, but the Labourites and Liberals are making leeway quickly.

MR. ASQUITH TO FIGHT LABOUR.

LONDON, October 14th.

Colonel Shaw (Unionist) has withdrawn his candidature for Paisley, thus leaving Mr. Asquith a straight fight against the Labourite, Mr. Mitchell.

STRAIGHT FIGHT FOR MR. MACDONALD.

The Conservatives at Aberhon have decided not to run a candidate, but unofficially support the Liberal nominee against Mr. MacDonald.

EARLIER CABLES.

MR. MACDONALD'S SPEECH.

LONDON, October 13th.

In a speech before three thousand people at Glasgow, which was broadcast all over the country, Mr. MacDonald declared that the charge against the Government in connection with the Campbell case was sheer humbug. The Government's opponents were afraid of them because the Labour Government had not failed.

He emphasised that at any rate two-thirds of the Russian loan would be spent in British industrial centres. When they came into office the League of Nations was practically dying. "We went to Geneva and gave a lead, and the League to-day is more vigorous than ever."

Mr. MacDonald dwelt on the Government's social programme, and complained that the Government had not had fair play in Parliament, where they met pettifoggish partisan trickery to prevent an honest Government doing their work. He finally appealed to the nation to put an end to contemptible party tactics by giving the Government a clear majority. (Loud cheers).

LATEST CABLES.

MOSQUITOES IN ENGLAND.

CHANCE FOR LITERARY "EXPERTS."

LONDON, October 14th.

The College of Pestology is offering a gold medal for the best essay not exceeding 500 words dealing with mosquito destruction, in view of the fact that the increase of mosquitoes in England is becoming "a serious menace." The essays should reach the college by January 1st next.

WORLD FLIGHT RECORD BROKEN.

ALTITUDE OF 12,000 ODD METRES.

PARIS, October 14th.

The French airman, Callizo, by reaching 12,000 metres, broke the altitude record.—Havas.

MDE. MELBA'S FAREWELL.

A FINAL "MIMI" AT MELBOURNE.

MELBOURNE, October 14th.

Madame Melba, as "Mimi" (*La Boheme*) took her farewell of the operatic stage in Australia on an occasion which coincided with the 37th anniversary of her debut at Brussels.

LATEST CABLES.

ACTIONS AGAINST DUNLOP COMPANY.

A £31,250 SETTLEMENT.

LONDON, October 14th.

A settlement has been announced in the King's Bench actions by Sir Arthur du Cross and others against the Dunlop Type and Rubber Goods Company, Ltd., and the Dunlop Rubber Company (Far East), Ltd., to enforce payment of remuneration due to plaintiffs as members of the advisory committee to the Board of the Canadian Company for the decade from 1917 or, alternatively, to recover damages for repudiation of agreement. The Company unreservedly withdraw the charge of fraud and counterclaim, and agreed to pay very substantial damages. Plaintiffs, however, were content to accept £31,250 by way of settlement against both Companies.

EARLIER CABLES.

FASCISM IN ENGLAND.

POLICE COURT STORIES.

LONDON, October 13th.

Four men have been charged at Bow Street in connection with the disturbance at a Communist meeting in Trafalgar Square on Sunday.

A policeman said he heard one, who wore a Fascist badge, calling the crowd "dirty dogs," and as he refused to go away he was arrested in order to prevent a breach of the peace, as the crowd were threatening. The accused told the magistrate that the crowd surrounded him when they saw his badge, and he sang the National Anthem when he heard the "Red Flag" sung. The magistrate said he had been provocative, and bound him over.

The evidence showed that the three others were members of the crowd who rushed the policeman taking the Fascist away. One, who struck a policeman, shouting "Come on, here are the Fascists!" was sentenced to twenty-one days imprisonment. Another was bound over. The magistrate told the third, a lad of seventeen who was described as a shop boy, to go back and clean the shop. He said it was useless to waste their time on a ridiculous shop boy.

THE GERMAN LOAN.

LIKELY TO BE "GO" WELL IN BRITAIN.

LONDON, October 13th.

The British portion of the German loan of twelve millions sterling is being underwritten in seven per cent. twenty-five year sinking fund Bonds, issued at ninety-two, allotted as follows:—Five per cent. on application twenty-five per cent. early in November, thirty per cent. early in December, and thirty-two per cent. early in January.

Authoritative opinion on the Stock Exchange is that the loan will go like hot cakes.

THE IRAQI BORDERS.

TURKS APPEAL TO THE LEAGUE.

GENEVA, October 13th.

The Turkish Government has telegraphed to the Council of the League of Nations recapitulating the correspondence with Britain relative to Iraq, and claiming that Turkey is respecting the position as it existed on September 30th in accordance with the agreement reached at Geneva, whereas Britain is insisting on the demands she advanced in an earlier note and is violating her Geneva undertaking. The telegram adds that if Britain, disregarding her undertaking, disturbs the peace and commits acts of aggression, the responsibility will be entirely hers. It requests the Council of the League to adopt measures to compel respect for the decision of the Council.

GERMANY AND THE DAWES PLAN.

MACHINERY IN ACTION.

PARIS, October 13th.

The machinery of the Dawes plan was to-day set in full operation by the Reparations Commission issuing a formal declaration that Germany had fulfilled the preliminary conditions, including the installation of various international controlling bodies and establishment of a company to administer the German railways, and the deposition of railway bonds and industrial debentures with trustees.

A GREAT WRITER.

ANATOLE FRANCE'S LAST HOURS.

PARIS, October 13th.

Anatole France died at exactly 11.25 p.m., on October 13th. He had been unconscious since October 10th, and only recovered at rare intervals to call for his mother and mother "I am dying." All the papers, irrespective of politics, are unanimous in extolling his genius, and declaring that the whole world will join France in mourning.

WARLIKE WAHABIS.

THREATENED MARCH ON MECCA.

CAIRO, October 13th.

It is reported that the Wahabis refuse to negotiate, and intend to advance on Mecca.

Emir Ali and all his Government have withdrawn to Bahri.

JEDDAH, October 14th.

The Wahabis' advance has cut off direct communication between Mecca and Jeddah. Bahri, to which place Ali has withdrawn, lies close by.

THE LAST ZEPPELIN.

TRANS-ATLANTIC TRIP.

HORTA, Azores, Oct. 13th.

The ZR3, passing the island of Fayal this afternoon, reported that she was flying sixty-six miles an hour. All aboard were well.

THE WORLD'S SPORT.

HOME FOOTBALL.

LONDON, October 13th.

Bury, 1; Arsenal, 0.

LATEST CABLES.

REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.

U.S. AND THE LEAGUE.

SENATOR HUGHES' DECLARATION.

INDIANAPOLIS, October 14th.

Senator Hughes made the first public reference to the developments at Geneva in the course of a speech in connection with the Presidential campaign. He said the question had been discussed of the appropriateness of investing a group of powers with authority to deal with domestic questions. He declared that American sentiment would not tolerate such an agreement. America would not enter any organisation in which a group of Powers would be in a position to determine her policies for her.

EARLIER CABLES.

RESULTS OF U.S. PROHIBITION.

DRUNKEN SHIP'S CREW.

NEW YORK, October 13th.

A coastguard cutter has brought in to port the Norwegian steamer *Sagatind*, with forty-three thousand cases of liquor, and the British schooner *Diamond*, also alleged to be carrying liquor. Both vessels were seized off Sandy Hook.

It is stated that the *Sagatind* was found forty miles from the coast. The cutter fired across her bows, but there was no sign of life aboard. The cutter's men then boarded the vessel, and found the crew of thirty-two sleeping off the effects of drink, or else injured in brawls. Three of the crew had broken jaws, and another a broken leg, not attended for three days. The captain was found behind a locked door, with a store of arms and ammunition. He declared that the crew had drunk and fought daily since they left Hamburg a month ago for St. Pierre, where the steamer shipped a hundred thousand cases of liquor, of which forty-three thousand remained. Twenty-six thousand dollars in American money was found in the safe.

It is alleged that both the arrested vessels had been communicating with the shore.

HUMOUR FROM THE

NOVEL WIRELESS ENTERTAINMENT.

The British Broadcasting Company gave listeners in recently a novel form of wireless entertainment—a description of an aeroplane trip made by the Yorkshire humorist, John Henry, and his wife, "Blossom," while the couple were making a tour over London in a De Havilland machine. Broadcasting from an aeroplane is now no novelty, and the owners of valve sets have frequently been able to pick up messages sent out by cross-Channel machines; but it was the first occasion on which broadcasting from an aeroplane has been audible on crystal sets, and the experiment was looked forward to by wireless enthusiasts with some interest.

John Henry and "Blossom" arrived at the Hendon aerodrome shortly before 7.30 p.m., and the former could be heard debating whether, after all, he would venture to go up, but the point was finally carried by "Blossom," who expressed her determination of accompanying him wherever he went. Then was heard a great whirring as the machine soared upward, and after a brief interval John Henry and his fair partner could be heard comparing notes. The machine had only gone about five miles from the aerodrome, however, when a valve of the aeroplane transmitter unexpectedly softened and caused a loud noise, which seriously interfered with the transmission, and the result was not nearly so successful as the recent trial trips had been. In spite of the noise, John Henry could be heard feigning an extremity of fear and asking "Blossom" if she thought they were likely to reach Mars, as they were terribly high up. "I don't care a bit whether Mars is inhabited or not," he said brokenly, "so long as the earth is inhabited by me." Then there was another hiatus, followed by clues to the route of the voyagers, who picked up Hammersmith, the Tower Bridge, and then found themselves over Golden Green, Hampstead, and Finchley. "I am glad to be back," said John Henry, who was unappraised by "Blossom" for being afraid of a little air trip, and then further indescribable sounds drowned any further recriminations that may have taken place.

THE CIVIL WAR IN CHINA.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CHEKIANGITES THROOP TO SHANGHAI.

SHANGHAI, October 14th.

The Kiangsuites have occupied Lung-hua and the Kiangnan Arsenal.

Several thousands of leaderless Chekiangites, including officers having "disappeared" to Shanghai from the front, have entered and are entering the Chinese city.

Foreigners living in Chinese territory comment on the good behaviour of the men and say their discipline gives no cause to fear looting on a large scale.

SHANGHAI CHINESE CITY.

SHANGHAI, October 13th.

The Kiangsuites, who are partisans of the Central Government of Peking, are now negotiating to take over the administration of the Chinese city of Shanghai.

No trouble is apprehended, as regards the foreign settlements.

JAPANESE OFFICIAL COMMENT.

TOKYO, October 14th.

After reiterating Japan's attitude of strict neutrality in the present civil war in China, the Government draws attention to the fact that hundreds of thousands of Japanese are resident in China and that Japanese investments and enterprises are being undertaken on a vast scale in Manchuria and Mongolia. Japan's own security therefore depends on the maintenance of law and order in those regions, and "Japan deems it of capital importance that these essential rights and interests be fully respected and safely guarded," according to a Note handed to the Peking and Mukden authorities by the Japanese Minister and Consul-General respectively.

LU AND STAFF REACH NAGASAKI.

NAGASAKI, October 14th.

Marshal Lu and his staff have arrived here.

[BY COURTESY OF THE "DAILY BULLETIN"]

CHANG RECRUITING COOLIE LABOUR.

TOKYO, October 12th.

A message from Mukden states that energetic recruiting of coolie labour for the front is proceeding here, and is embarrassing local traffic.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

RETRENCHMENT IN JAPAN.

TOKYO, October 14th.

The Cabinet has decided to curtail the State expenditure by 210 million yen, including War, 31,500,000; Navy, 18,500,000; and Home Department, 35,000,000.

DUTCH COMPANY DEAL.

AMSTERDAM, October 14th.

The Royal Dutch Company has privately placed 630 shares of a thousand guilders.

The *Telegraph* understands that representatives of an important German concern conferred with Baron Vanheemstra, Governor of Surinam, at present at the Hague, as regards the possibility of an agreement to exploit the sugar manufacturing and plantations in the Nickerie district.

WORLD DISARMAMENT.

JAPAN EXPLAINS ACTIONS AT GENEVA.

PARIS, October 13th.

The Japanese Embassy has issued a statement defending the attitude of the Japanese delegation at the League Assembly towards the disarmament Protocol. It says: "The wild tales that Japan's objective was the United States or certain British Dominions were purely imaginary, and entirely foreign to the delegation's motives." It declares that the delegation loyally intended to keep the League's Covenant free from a patent inconsistency.

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THE WETTERBERG INCIDENT.

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CHINESE CRISIS.

POWERS AND INTERVENTION.

[BY THE DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT OF THE LONDON "DAILY TELEGRAPH"]

The movement in favour of a pacific intervention by the Powers in China is rapidly gaining ground both in America and in this country. It is, of course, not easy to formulate the exact line which should be adopted, but the following ideas have been propounded in one competent quarter.

Let it be recognised at once that China is too vast and too heterogeneous in language and population to lend herself to a system of highly centralised administration. As a matter of fact, under the Manchu dynasty there was always a system of extensive decentralisation, vested in the persons of the provincial Governors. On the other hand, from the standpoint of foreign relations, defence, customs, and finance, the restoration of Chinese unity is essential. A Monarchy might facilitate this restoration more easily than a Republic, a Constitution. But this is a matter for China, and not foreigners to decide; and, besides, a Republic is well adapted to a compromise in the sense of a Federal Government.

Again, it is not for foreign Powers to assess the rival merits of Wu Pei Fu, Chang Tso Lin, or Sun Yat Sen, or of Chih and Lu. What they could do in a friendly way would be to induce the present Central Government to convene the leaders of all these factions to a round-table conference, at which an agreement, in the shape of a federal or federated system of Government, might be reached. That is the political aspect. The financial is no less important than, and closely allied to, the political. Wu and the Central Government, and to an even greater extent its opponents, like Chiang and Sun, are powerless to impose their will and to carry out the administration, because the State coffers are empty, and are likely to remain so, unless they either overcome the rival pretenders or reach a settlement with the latter.

The Four-Power Banking Consortium, which enjoys a kind of unofficial monopoly in supplying China with funds, will not provide her with another dollar until internal security, and security for foreign life and property, are also re-established. But a Central Government devoid of the sinews of administration and defence will never accomplish this. We are therefore in a vicious circle, which alone a pacific and successful intervention, in the sense indicated above, could possibly break.

So far as the protection of foreign life and property is concerned, as also that of the ways of communication indispensable to foreign trade, the Powers are entitled to adopt, if need be, very drastic measures of a temporary nature. At the same time, both in regard to such measures and to the wider intervention suggested above, care must be taken to convince the Chinese, really at heart a peace-loving people, that the action of the Powers conceals no Imperialist desire to encroach upon Chinese sovereignty and integrity, or economic independence. For this reason it might be well if China were to be allowed to raise funds freely where she elected to raise them, and, if, to assist her in this financial and economic reconstruction, there were set up a disinterested international Board of Experts, after the precedent of Austria and Hungary, though perhaps without the stringent controls necessitated in these cases by bankrupt conditions, which in China's case do not obtain. A splendid security is afforded by international control of the Chinese customs, which, under the Washington Treaties, can be raised in a business-like fashion for the benefit of the States. But the Customs revenue will decline, according to China's foreign trade declines, if internal peace be not soon re-established by a discerning and tactful intervention of the Powers. The latter, however, should beware of relying overmuch on the European and or Americanised type of Chinaman, who has no real hold upon his fellow-countrymen, and collaborate rather with the best types of administrators produced by the old native culture, as in the past.

AUCTION BRIDGE.

"NO-TRUMP" MADNESS.

Miss Florence Irwin's estimate of the Bridge players whom she met and played with during her recent visit to London was that they played their cards well, but that most of them seemed to be No-Trump mad.

She considered that the general standard of play was higher in England than in America, but that the standard of calling was not nearly so good, principally owing to the aforesaid No-Trump madness. This madness is quite an old complaint among English players, but it has lately assumed rather a different phase.

Miss Irwin's complaint was not that the players bid an original "One No-Trump" very tightly—they always have done that in America as well as here, and they always will do—but rather that they were much too ready to change a partner's major suit call into No Trumps, even when they had quite good support in the suit called.

I entirely agree with that, writes Mr. F. W. Britton in the *Evening Standard*.

HARBOURING CHARGE.

CHINESE WOMAN IN THE DOCK AT KOWLOON.

Wong Kiu, 45, a married woman, of 33 Temple Street, Yau-mat, was charged on remand before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon, with receiving and harbouring a married woman named Tang Tsoi Sun by force, intimidation, or fraud on or about August 19th, at 33 Temple Street.

A further charge against the woman alleged that she harboured the complainant with intent that she should be sold, pledged, purchased, or otherwise disposed of, for the purpose of prostitution.

Sub-Inspector Evans prosecuted for the S.C.A., and Mr. C. H. Lyson appeared for the defendant.

The first witness was the complainant, Tang Tsoi Sun, who, in answer to the Magistrate, stated that she was 24 and married. Her husband, she said, was in Court.

As the man was a witness in the case, His Worship ordered that he should be removed to the corridor outside the Court room.

KIDNAPING STORY.

The witness said that she came to Hong-kong on August 19th. She was kidnapped from Ping Hoi in a steamer by a man named Lyl Yat Chuen, who persuaded her to accompany him by saying that they would find her husband, from whom she had been separated. Witness was taken to defendant's house, and later sold to a brothel. She discovered the nature of the place by the demeanour and speech for male visitors towards her. She protested, and suffered no actual injury. One evening, on a date which witness could not remember, her husband came into the brothel and recognized her. He took her away, and subsequently she went with him to the Yau-mat Police Court. Witness was in the brothel for two nights.

It was explained at this point by Inspector Blackman that the defendant was discovered as a result of a dispute which took place between her and the alleged brother-keeper with regard to the purchase money. The Inspector added that the brothel had been untenanted for several weeks, and that none of its late occupants could be traced.

Cross-examining the complainant, Mr. Lyson suggested that a man whom she had previously identified in Court as her husband was not in reality her husband at all, but her lover, with whom she had run away from the country. This the complainant vehemently denied.

Mr. Lyson further submitted to the witness that she ran away from her husband. She also denied this.

The hearing being adjourned until Monday afternoon, Mr. Lyson applied for a reduction of the bail, which His Worship granted, reducing the amount from \$1,000 to 500.

COOLIE INJURED IN MOTOR CAR ACCIDENT.

DRIVER FINED \$50.

After having been several times remanded, a case was concluded before Mr. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, in which P. K. Wong was summoned on two counts.

The first was one of driving a motor-car to the danger of the public on September 15th, and the second was for driving without a licence on the same date. It may be remembered that a coolie was injured near the Po Hing Theatre on the occasion in question by defendant's car, necessitating a lengthy treatment in hospital.

With regard to the second count of the summons, Sergt. Hallam, who was in charge of the case for the police, stated that the defendant had no driver's licence, but only a learner's licence.

BLAME ADMITTED.

Mr. Lyson, addressing the Magistrate, said that with regard to the first charge, the only point made clear by the evidence to the detriment of his client was that he had not sounded his horn. His client admitted, however, that blame attached to him in the matter; but Mr. Lyson asked His Worship to bear in mind that the defendant had defrayed the injured man's hospital expenses, and had also made financial compensation to him for loss of wages. With regard to the second charge, the solicitor said that his client would plead guilty and throw himself of the mercy of the Court.

His Worship observed that the case, when all its aspects were considered, was not so serious as it might have appeared at an earlier stage. On the first count a caution would be recorded against the defendant, and on the second he would pay a fine of \$50.

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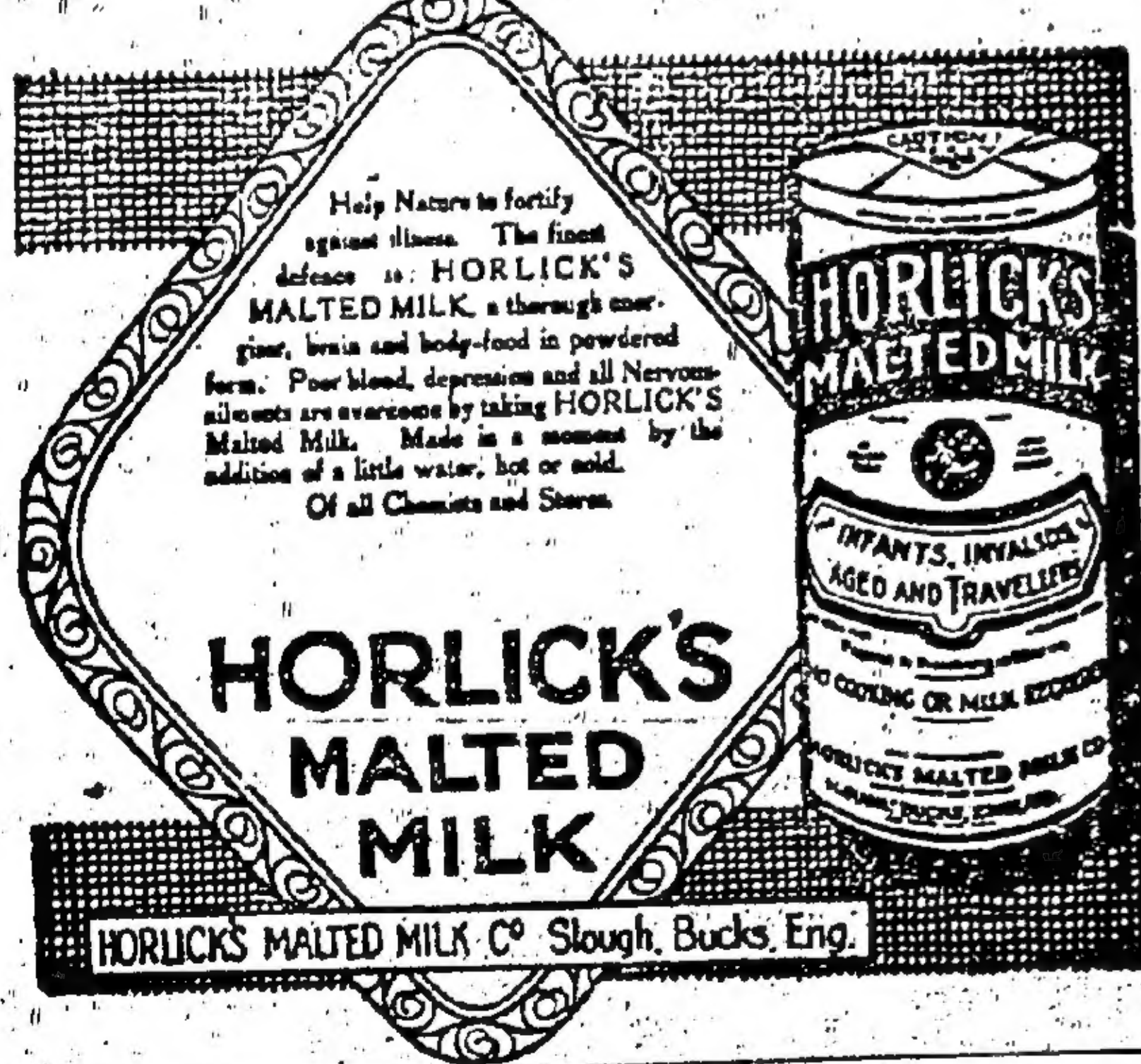
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WOMEN RULE A TRIBE.

RACE OF AMAZONS FOUND IN CHINA.

The following is from New York:—Modern amazons, who rule the men of their tribe and have no fear of old age, have been discovered in China by Mr. Frederick R. Wulfsberg, leader of an expedition sent by the National Geographic Society.

The tribe is known as the To-Runs. They are of Mongol descent, and inhabit that little-known part of Western China where the headwaters of the Yellow River, "the stream of gold," are situated.

Scientists believe the To-Runs and associated tribes have been lost in the heart of Asia for centuries, and are a curious mingling of many races. They are convinced by the characteristics of the people, that the Yellow River region was one of the racial battlegrounds of the early Asiatic migrations.

The women are not dependent on personal and physical charms to maintain their hold on the men of the tribe, and refuse to capitulate to old age. In fact, they turn the years to their own advantage. Both sexes smoke a herb resembling tobacco.

Agricultural land is scarce, and few families can be raised. The women are therefore permitted to have more than one husband, and temporary marriages are recognised whether they be for six months, six weeks, or six days.

The offspring of these marriages treat as father any one whom their mothers touch them to recognise as such. Other husbands are the "uncles" of the children. Family names are unknown, and the child is often spoken of as the son or daughter of such and such a woman.

No buying or selling is done except by the wife, or with her consent. She takes charge of the family exchequer and all the affairs of the household.

In some portions of the To-Ran country the hat-choosing festival is permitted, as it is among many Moslem, Mongol, and Tibetan tribes. A man may carry off the hat of any girl or woman he meets in the temple grounds, and she becomes, without further ceremony, his temporary wife.

Crime is prevalent, and even the gravest offence is pardoned on payment of a fixed sum. Compressed bricks of ten, one of the articles of daily consumption, are used as a medium of exchange.

The highest price in tea is placed on the life of a priest—sometimes as much as 200 bricks. The lowest value is placed on the life of a foreigner, which sometimes is set at two or three bricks.

THE MODERN WOMAN.

Miss Margaret Bondfield, a member of the Labour Government, has been expressing candidly her views about "intellectual" women, says the *Times*. She told the Independent Labour Party Summer School that she thought a very strong indictment could be drawn up against the modern woman in her attitude towards the important function of home-making. The most vocal section of womanhood appeared to think that to be an architect or a doctor was to be something superior to the home-maker. She held entirely the contrary view. She had very little patience with the woman who wanted to leave husband and children to the care of paid labour while she herself sought outside work because it was more "intellectual." To her mind the ordering of a home, the bringing up of children, the insistence on bringing to the home the best possible help that modern achievement could provide, required the most sustained effort of service—that "infinite capacity for taking pains" which amounted to genius. The fact of the matter was that a large number of women were not fit to be homemakers because they had never addressed their minds to it as a vocation. They had regarded it far more as merely an opportunity to satisfy instinctive cravings, to "express themselves," and to have a husband who would give them a good time.

POPULAR NEW SONG.

"WHAT DO YOU DO SUNDAY, MARY?"
What do you do Sunday, Mary?
One of Miss Luella Gear's songs in "Poppy," the new Gaiety Theatre musical comedy, is likely to sweep through the country as no other song has for a long time past, writes the Theatrical Correspondent of the *Daily Mail*.

On the first night six encore verses had to be sung, and even then, it seemed as if the audience would have liked it to continue until midnight.
The song has an irresistible fox trot, lilt and the words of the chorus are easy to pick up.

What do you do Sunday?
What do you do Monday, Mary?
What do you do Tuesday?
What do you do Wednesday, Mary?
When'er I call you're hardly ever alone.

You always have some other plan of your own.
What do you do Thursday?
What do you do Friday, Mary?
Where do you get that from, Mary?
It's only Saturday that you can be found—
What do you do, Mary, all week round?

Written by Irving Caesar and composed by Stephen Jones, the song was an immediate "hit" when "Poppy" was produced in New York a year ago, and about 400,000 copies of it have been sold.

We have received from the Secretary of National Baby Week Council copies of booklets relating to the Baby-Judging Competition Organised by the Council. These are available to any applicants for them.

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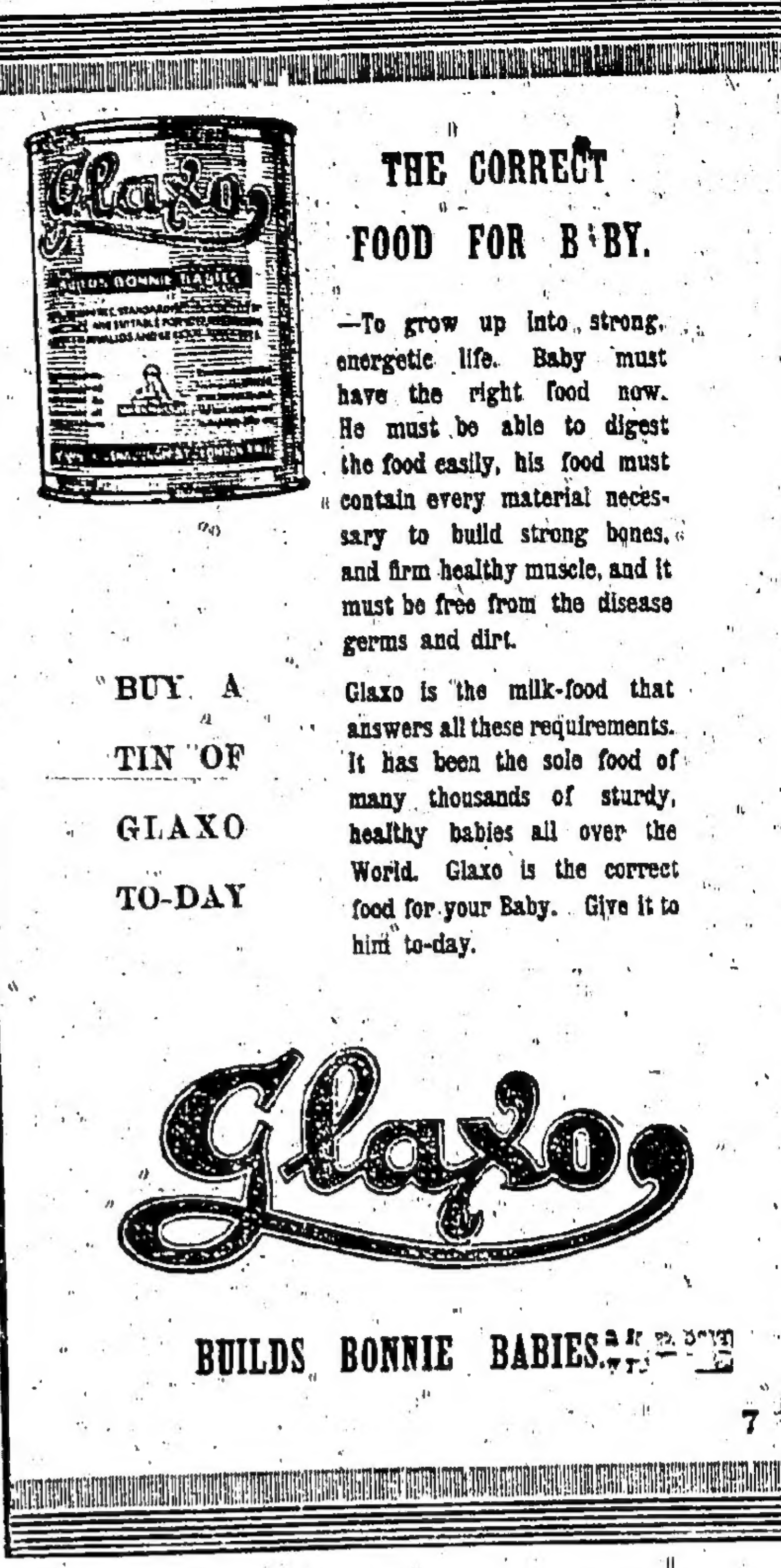
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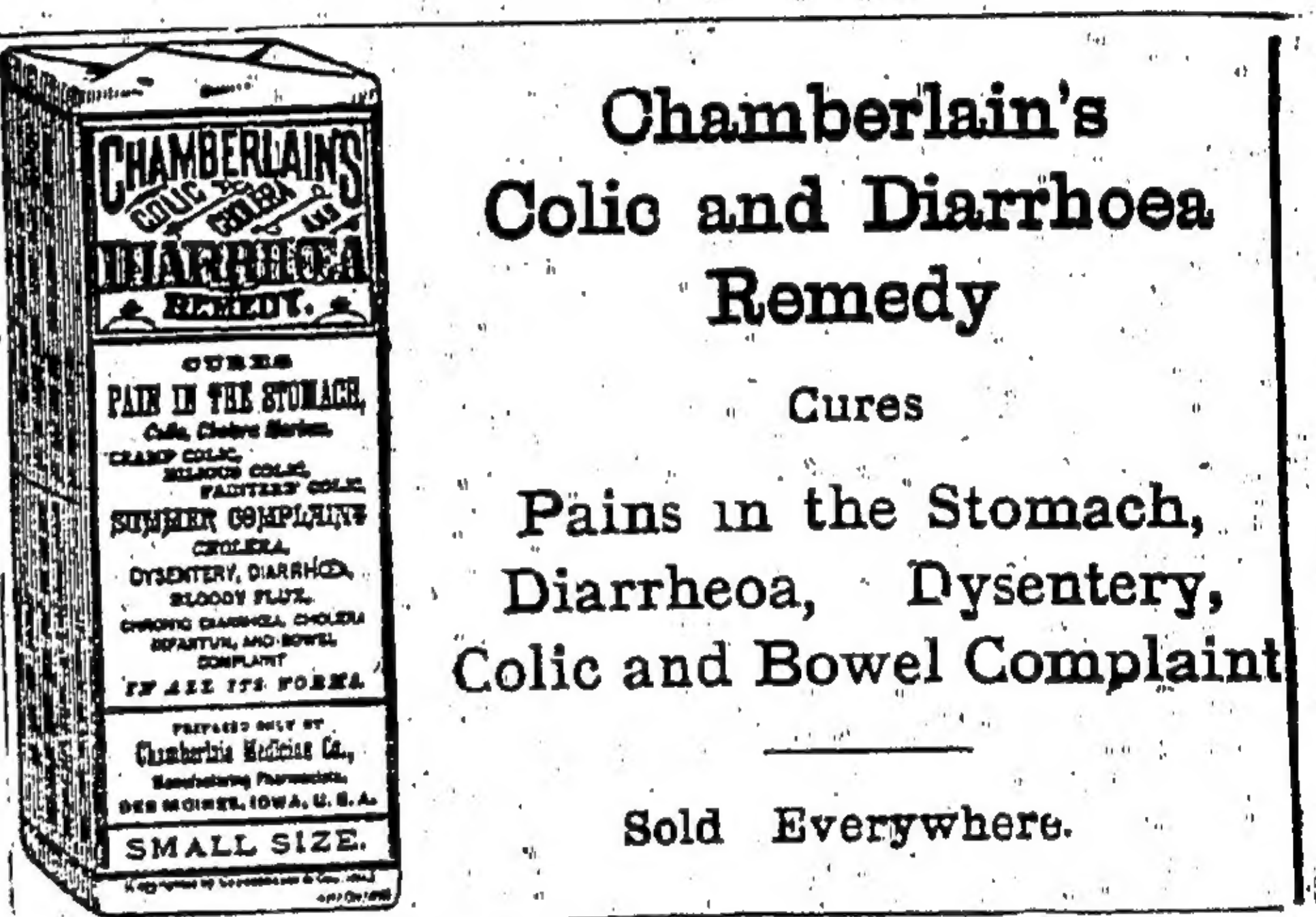
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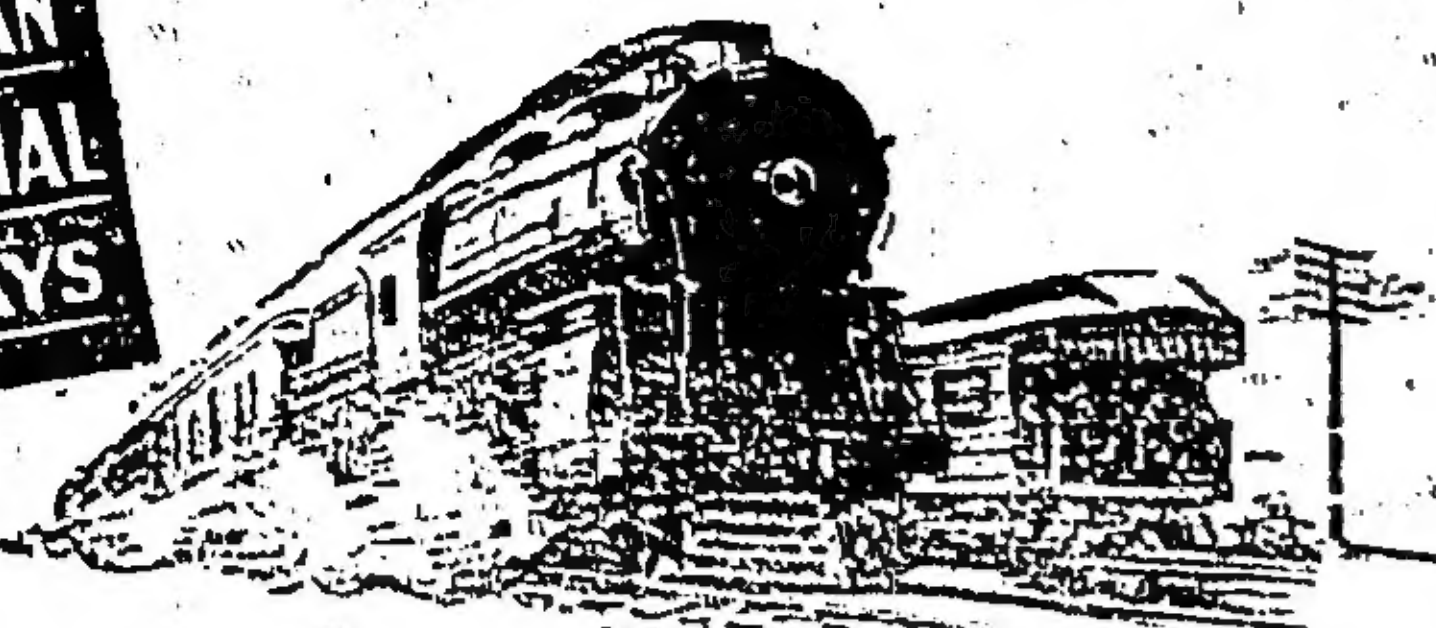
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"ALABAMA MARU"	Wednesday,	22nd Oct.	
KEELUNG via SWATOW & AMOY.			
"KAIJO MARU"	Sunday,	18th Oct., 11 a.m.	
TAKAO via SWATOW & AMOY.			
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INTERNATIONAL LAW.

THE YORK-ANTWERP SHIPPING RULES.

A noteworthy feature of the proceedings of the Conference of the International Law Association was a special sitting of the General Average Committee, which has been preparing for the consideration of the Conference a draft embodying a revision of the York-Antwerp rules, and a declaration of the general principles applicable to general average.

The transactions were opened by Sir Norman Hill, the chairman, who emphasised the desirability of having a uniform system, while admitting that there was opposition to such a course. It is expected that the result of the committee's deliberations will be known this week.

The General Average Committee to-day dealt with the first thirteen York-Antwerp rules dealing with jettison, extinguishing fire, cutting away wreck, voluntary stranding, damage done by use of machinery, or by use of cargo for fuel in times of peril, expenses at port of refuge, the result of accident, damage to cargo in discharging, deductions from costs of repairs. The amendments, as a whole, were adopted, but Rule VIII, providing for the admission as general average of losses sustained in lightening a ship or re-shipping when ashore, remains unchanged. Rule X, (b), referring to the discharging of cargo at a port of refuge, remains unaltered, the amendment referring to the "handling of cargo" being rejected. The discussion of certain points was adjourned. The minutes of the discussion are not available.

NEW RULE TO EXPEDITE SILK SHIPMENTS.

The silk importers of New York and shipping people of Seattle are greatly pleased over the report from Victoria, B.C., that the Federal Deputy Minister of Health has recommended that the quarantine station at William Head on Vancouver Island be operated 24 hours daily, thus obviating serious delays to Trans-Pacific Liners.

The Admiral Oriental Line will be the principal gainer by this change. Steamers of this company carry silk cargo. Because of the high rates and interest charged on this commodity this silk is rushed through from Yokohama to the waiting trans-continental trains at Seattle with the utmost speed. Even minutes are held to be precious and consequently a delay of six or seven hours at the quarantine station is not viewed with pleasure by the company.

Under the present regulations, if a liner reaches William Head after 9 p.m. at night she is forced to lay over until morning, meaning the loss of many valuable hours. By the proposed new regulations, a vessel reaching William Head say at 11 p.m. secure pratique, discharge passengers and cargo at Victoria and arrive in Seattle before sunrise. In this way silk cargoes would gain many hours on the run to New York and New Jersey Silk Mills. It would also enable passengers to spend the day in Seattle sight seeing and leaving that night for their eastern destinations. —Seattle, paper.

NEW P. AND O. STEAMER.

Hawthorn Leslie & Co., Hebburn, launched, on September 13th, the *Ranpara*, the first of two passenger and mail boats building for the Peninsular and Oriental Co. The *Ranpara* is a passenger liner of about 1,000 tons gross and 370 feet in length. She will carry 305 first-class and 292 second-class passengers. She has seven decks in all, and is designed on the most up-to-date lines, particular attention having been directed to the comfort of passengers travelling in hot climates. The propelling machinery, constructed at the St. Peter's Works of the shipbuilders, comprises two sets of four-cylinder quadruple-expansion engines, balanced on the Yarrow-Schlick & Tweedy system, having cylinders 32in., 46in., 67in., and 96in., by 60in. stroke. The engines were developed about 15,000 h.p. The boilers are of the multitubular type, six in number, double-ended, constructed for a working pressure 215 lbs., and are arranged for burning oil fuel on the "Clyde" system in conjunction with Howden's forced draught.

Mr. J. T. Baty, managing director of the Hebburn Shipyard, speaking on the occasion of the launch, said high costs here made the bulk of orders go abroad, where men worked longer hours. Our taxation, Imperial and municipal, was far higher than that of any other nation, while high transport charges were straining British industries. Wages in shipyards had come down much in proportion than in kindred industries. Unless matters were set right their export would suffer, their shipbuilding cease to exist, and there would be no money to pay taxes.

FLOATING ISLAND.

"Steamers threading the lanes of the alluring Pacific occasionally report the appearance of mysterious floating islands, a phenomenon which has stirred the imagination of man since the ancients wrote the romantic story about the chaining down of the floating island of Delos," says a bulletin from the headquarters of the American National Geographic Society. "Within our own times a floating island 100 feet square, upon which trees 30 feet high were growing, drifted 1,000 miles out into the Atlantic, probably from the coast of the United States." During July, 1923, this island, the tall trees of which made it visible for seven miles, was first seen about 250 miles south-east from Nantucket. By September it had drifted about six degrees farther north and 22 degrees farther east with the Gulf Stream, and it may have eventually landed on the coast of Europe.

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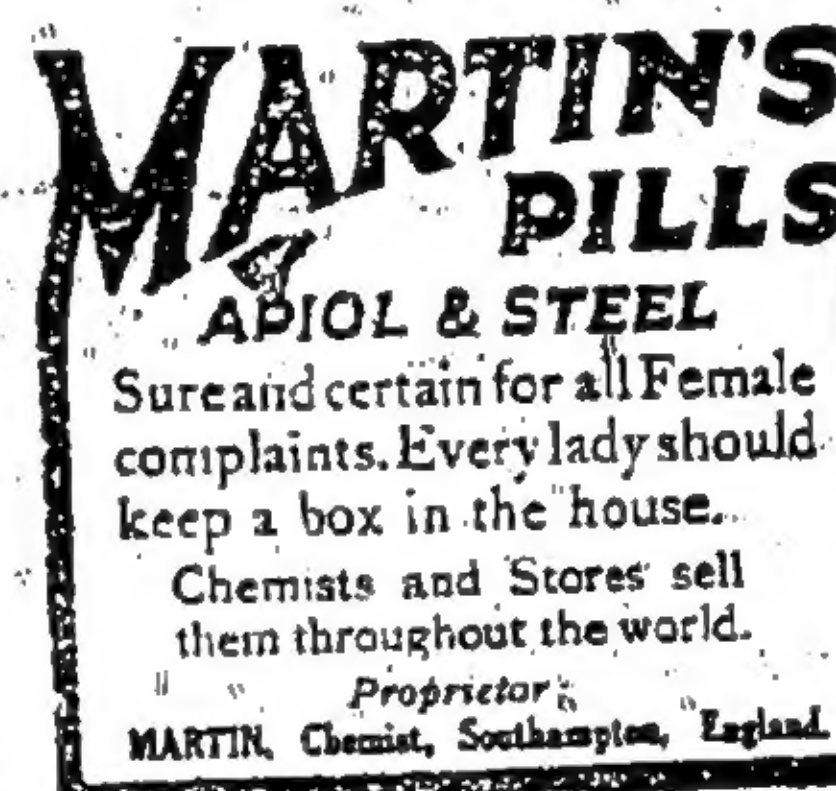
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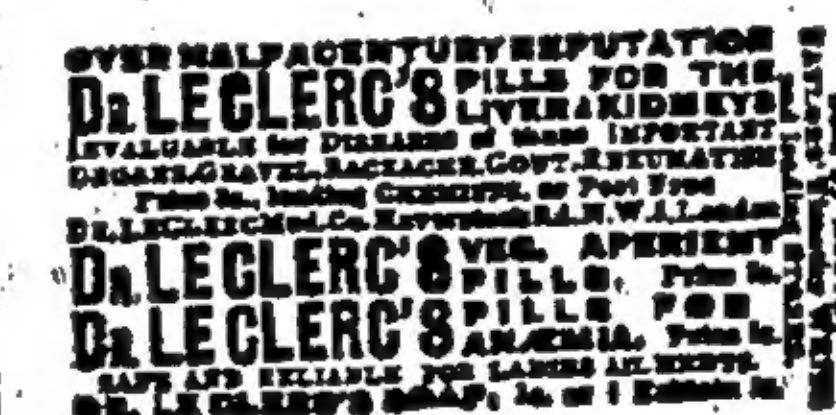
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SHANGHAI via SWATOW	"FOOSHING"	Sunday,	19th Oct., 10 a.m.
HAIPHONG via SWATOW	"MINGSANG"	Sunday,	19th Oct., 10 a.m.
BANGKOK via SWATOW	"HANGSANG"	Monday,	20th Oct., Noon
KOBE via SHANGHAI & MOJI	"KUTSANG"	Tuesday,	21st Oct., 7 a.m.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"YATSHING"	Wednesday,	22nd Oct., 10 a.m.
TIENTSIN	"CHEONGSHING"	Wednesday,	22nd Oct., Noon
MANILA	"YUESANG"	Saturday,	25th Oct., 11 a.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"LAISANG"	Saturday,	1st Nov., 3 p.m.
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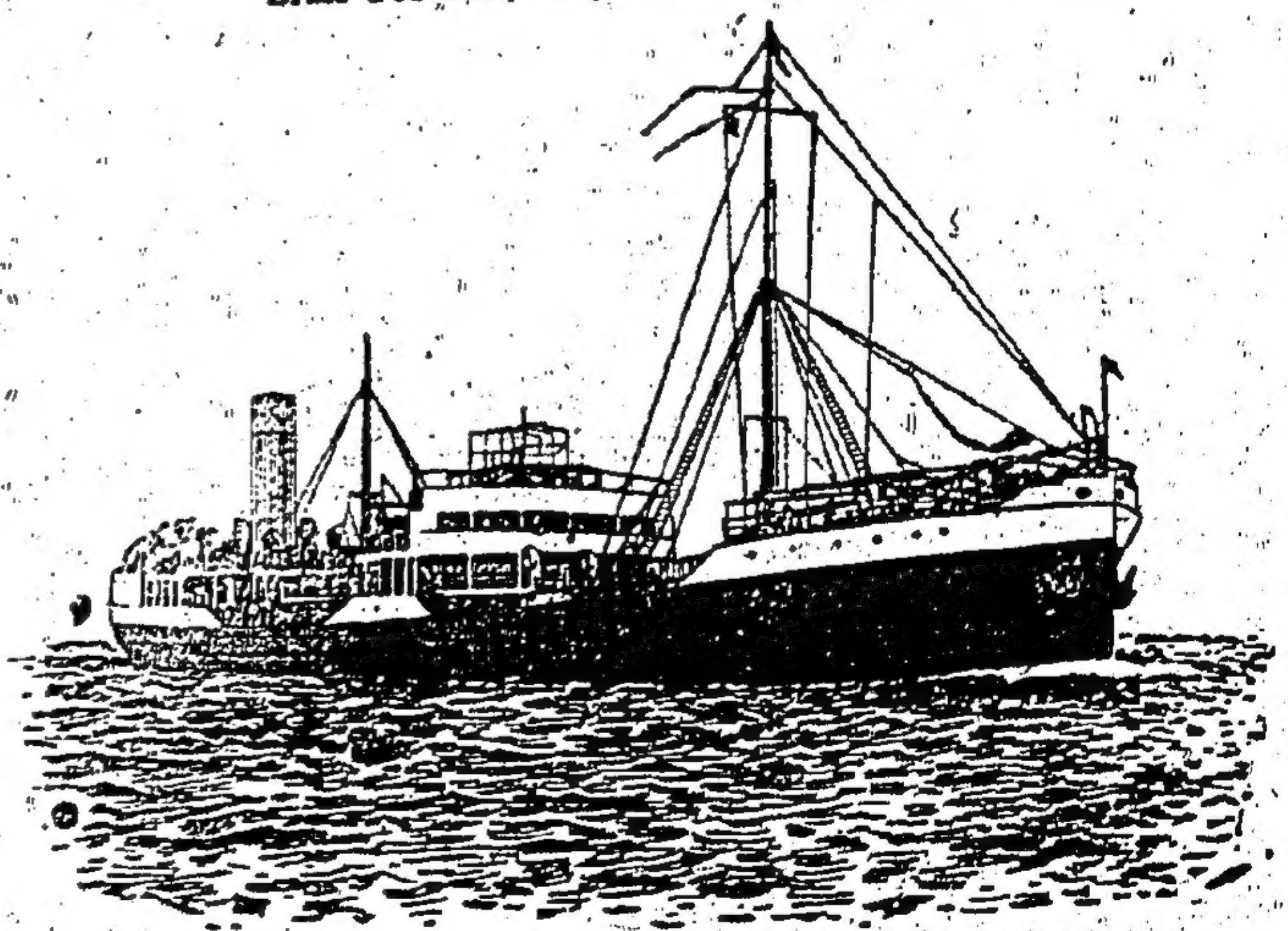
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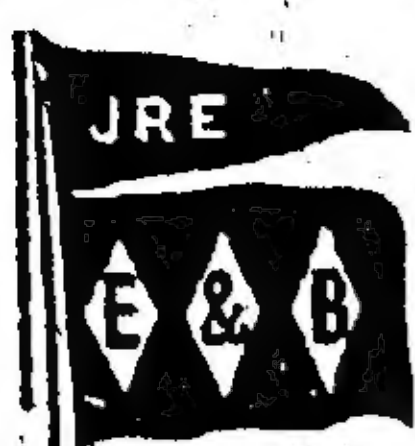
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"SICILIA"	8,813	28th Oct.	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'dam
"KASHGAR"	9,005	1st Nov.	Mars., London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	10,941	15th Nov.	Marseilles & London
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"MACEDONIA"	11,089	3rd Apr.	do.
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AMOY & SHANGHAI	...	"SUNNING"	On 15th Oct. D.L.
WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	...	"HUICHOW"	On 15th Oct. 4 p.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	...	"SZECHOW"	On 18th Oct. 2.30 p.m.
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AMOY & SHANGHAI	...	"SHANTUNG"	On 21st Oct. D.L.
AMOY, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	...	"KUNGWONG"	On 21st Oct. Noon
SWATOW & BANGKOK	...	"KWANGTUNG"	On 21st Oct. Noon
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	...	"SUIYANG"	On 23rd Oct. 2.30 p.m.
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INWARD MAILS.

FROM	PER	DUE
JAPAN	Yoshino Maru	15th Oct.
EXPRESS via Suva (Letters and papers)		
London, 18th Sept. and Parcel, 11th	Malacca	15th Oct.
Sept.)		
SHANGHAI	Liangshoh	15th Oct.
MANILA	Pres. Jefferson	18th Oct.
STRAITS	Lycason	17th Oct.
STRAITS	Mentor	17th Oct.
STRAITS	Antuang	18th Oct.
STRAITS	Suva Maru	20th Oct.
MANILA	Emp. of Asia	20th Oct.
U.S.A., CANADA, JAPAN, & SHANGHAI	Pres. Grant	20th Oct.
MANILA	Pres. Taft	20th Oct.
JAPAN	Atsuta Maru	21st Oct.

OUTWARD MAILS

Pos	Fee	Date
*Japan	Colless Maru	Wednesday, 18th, 8.30 A.M.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, *Canada,		
*U.S.A., Central & South America,		
& Europe via San Francisco—due	Tengo Maru	Registration 9.45 A.M.
San Francisco, 11th Nov.		Letters 10.30 A.M.
Shanghai	Kiangsew	1.30 P.M.
Wei Hai Wei	Huichow	2.30 P.M.
Manila	Emp. of Asia	3.30 P.M.
Swatow and Amoy	Van Overstraten	3.50 P.M.
Holchow and Haiphong	Borneo	5.00 P.M.
Holchow, Tourane & Quinhon...	Devotionum	Thursday, 16th, 8.30 A.M.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand		
via Thursday Island—due Thursday	Yoshino Maru	Registration 8.45 A.M.
Island, 27th Oct.		Letters 9.30 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiching	1.00 P.M.
Shanghai and Japan	Malacca	2.30 P.M.
Japan	Mocassin Maru	2.30 P.M.
Swatow	Hydrangou	3.30 P.M.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central		
& South America and *EUROPE	Pres. Jefferson	Parcels, 17th, 5.00 P.M.
via Victoria, B.C.—due Victoria,		Saturday, 18th,
B.C., 8th Nov.		Registration 8.00 A.M.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius,		Letters 8.30 A.M.
E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and		
Europe via Marseilles—due Mar-	Norona	Parcels, 17th, 5.00 P.M.
seilles, 14th Nov.		Saturday, 18th,
Java via Batavia		Reg. 8.45 A.M.
Japan		Letters 10.30 A.M.
Shanghai	Tikaroen	10.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Ango Maru	10.00 A.M.
Amoy and Manila	Liangchow	10.00 A.M.
Holchow and Haiphong	Haifong	Noon
Swatow	Suisang	2.00 P.M.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E.		
& S. Africa, Egypt and KUROPE	Ningam	Sunday, 19th,
via MARSILLES—due Marseilles,	Pooking	8.30 A.M.
18th Nov.	Uhenan	8.30 A.M.
Shanghai and Japan	Tijlson	9.00 A.M.
Manila	Kayp Maru	9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Sachow	9.00 A.M.
Swatow		
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E.		
& S. Africa, Egypt and KUROPE	Tyden	Monday, 20th,
via MARSILLES—due Marseilles,	Kulany	2.30 P.M.
18th Nov.		Letters 5.00 P.M.
Shanghai and Japan		
Manila		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		
Swatow		
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, *U.S.A.,		
*U.S.A., Central & South America,		
& Europe via San Francisco—due	Pres. Tuft	Wednesday, 22nd,
San Francisco, 14th Nov. & EU-		Parcels, 9.00 A.M.
ROPE via SIBERIA (Correspondence		Registration 9.45 A.M.
specially superscribed "via Siberia		Letters 10.30 A.M.
only)		
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E.		
& S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Mar-	Atlanta Maru	Registration 8.45 A.M.
seilles—due Marseilles, 22nd Nov.		Letters 9.30 A.M.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Cen-		Parcels for Canada only 4.00 P.M.
tral and South America, and		
EUROPE via VANCOUVER, B.C.—	Emp. of Asia	Registration 5.00 P.M.
due Vancouver, B.C., 10th Nov.		Letters 5.00 P.M.
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ALAX ...21ST Nov. Boston, New York, Baltimore via Suez

PASSENGER SERVICE

MENTOR	...17TH OCT.	Shanghai
PATROCLUS	...21ST OCT.	Singapore, Marseilles, & London
MENTOR	...17TH NOV.	Singapore, Marseilles & London
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